

Indolinone Combinational Libraries and Related Products
and Methods for the Treatment of Disease

Abstract

The present invention relates to organic molecules capable of modulating, regulating and/or inhibiting protein kinase signal transduction. Such compounds are useful for the treatment of diseases related to unregulated protein kinase signal transduction, including cell proliferative diseases such as cancer, atherosclerosis, arthritis and restenosis and metabolic diseases such as diabetes. The present invention features indolinone compounds that potently inhibit protein kinases and related products and methods. Inhibitors specific to the *FLK* protein kinase can be obtained by adding chemical substituents to the 3-[(indole-3-yl)methylene]-2-indolinone, in particular at the 1' position of the indole ring. Indolinone compounds that specifically inhibit the *FLK* and platelet derived growth factor protein kinases can harbor a tetrahydroindole or cyclopentano-*b*-pyrrol moiety. Indolinone compounds that are modified with substituents, particularly at the 5 position of the oxindole ring, can effectively activate protein kinases. This invention also features novel hydrosoluble indolinone compounds that are tyrosine kinase inhibitors and related products and methods.